

Keeping Satellites in Space – Where Science and Engineering Meet

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Professor Sir Martin Sweeting, Director of the Surrey Space Centre, delivers the first EPS Distinguished Lecture



Since 1981, Sir Martin has pioneered rapid-response, low-cost and highly-capable small satellites utilising modern terrestrial COTS devices to 'change the economics of space'. In 1985 he formed a spin-off University company (SSTL) which has designed, built, launched and operated in orbit 41 nano, micro, and mini-satellites – including the international Disaster Monitoring Constellation (DMC) and the first Galileo navigation satellite (GIOVE-A) for ESA. SSTL has grown to 610 staff with annual revenues exceeding £100M and exports over £0.5Bn – it is currently manufacturing 22 navigation payloads for the Galileo (Full Operational) Constellation, 3 high-resolution (1-metre) Earth Observation mini-satellites and a low-cost medium-resolution SAR mini-satellite (NovaSAR).

As Director of the Surrey Space Centre and a distinguished professor at the University of Surrey, Sir Martin leads a team of 90 faculty and doctoral researchers investigating advanced small satellite concepts and techniques, acting as the research laboratory for SSTL - real academic-commercial synergy. Sir Martin has been appointed OBE and knighted by HM The Queen, elected a Fellow of the Royal Society and a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering and most recently has received the prestigious von Karman Wings Award from CalTech/JPL. He is a member of the UK Space Agency Leadership Council.

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